

## CHAPTER 338.

[Published May 24, 1865.]

AN ACT to incorporate the Chippewa river rafting boom company.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. That Seth Webb, John E. Stillman and Hamilton W. Hubbard, by the firm name of Seth Webb & Co., their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to construct and maintain such number and character of booms, with sufficient piers to secure the same, as they may deem necessary for the purposes hereinafter named, on either side and partly across the Chippewa river, near the mill site of the said Seth Webb & Co., on sections sixteen (16) and twenty-one (21), town twenty-nine (29), range eight (8) west of fourth meridian, over the whole or any part of the distance within named, as shall be required for the purposes of said company; said booms to be built for the purpose of stopping and securing logs, spars and square timber: *provided*, that the main channel of said river shall at all times remain free and unobstructed for the passage of boats and rafts; *and provided, further*, that said booms shall be so constructed and arranged that all logs not owned by said Seth Webb & Co., their successors or assigns, or by parties desiring their logs to be detained in said booms, may be assorted and passed through said booms without delay; and in case the said Seth Webb & Co., their successors or assigns, shall refuse or neglect so to assort and deliver the logs of other parties, it shall be lawful for the parties owning logs in said booms to assort and pass their own logs through said booms, the cost and expense of such assorting and delivering to be paid by said Seth Webb & Co., their successors or assigns.

May build boom.  
Not to obstruct navigation.

How to be constructed.

SECTION 2. Whenever any logs, spars or square timber shall be secured and boomed in pursuance of the written request or order of the owner or owners thereof, the said Seth Webb & Co., their associates, successors and assigns, shall be allowed therefor a toll or boomage of twenty cents per thousand feet, board measure; and they shall have a lien on all logs or

timber so boomed or secured for the payment of such boomage.

Account of logs  
sawed, &c.

SECTION 3. The said Seth Webb & Co., their associates, successors or assigns, shall cause to be entered in a book kept for that purpose, the different marks on the logs or timber thus boomed and secured, the number of logs bearing any mark, and the amount of lumber cut from said logs bearing such mark or marks, and shall at all times keep such book open for the inspection of all persons.

Prohibition.

SECTION 4. If any raft of lumber, logs or timber shall by neglect or accident be carried into said boom, it shall not be lawful for the owner or any person for him, to open said boom, at any time, for the passage of rafts or logs, without first giving notice to said Seth Webb & Co., or their agent: *provided*, said parties or their agent may be found at or near the boom or mill premises.

Penalty for will-  
ful injury, &c.

SECTION 5. Any person or persons who shall willfully break, damage or destroy said boom or booms, shall be responsible to the proprietors thereof in an action at law, for the amount of damage done, in addition to the penalties already provided by law, to be recovered before any court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

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## CHAPTER 339.

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AN ACT to incorporate the Rock river petroleum company.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

Corporators.

SECTION 1. E. L. Dimock, J. J. R. Pease, J. W. Allen, Robert Patten, John Watson, R. B. Treat, A. C. Bates, Thomas B. Wooliscroft, George Barns, W. A. Lawrence, and such other persons who may hereafter be associated with them in the manner provided in this